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RESPONSE TO Office Action of 03-02-04 (Confirmation # 1461) Request for Telephone Interview

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Section 1, Introduction:

This is Applicants' Response to the non-final Office Action of March 2, 2004, currently due on July 2, 2004 pursuant to a one-month Extension of Time, requested and paid for herewith.

Please charge the fee for the 1-month extension, \$110 to Deposit Account 04-1699 of counsel. In the event this amount is inaccurate, please charge the balance due, or refund the excess to Deposit Account 04-1699. A duplicate copy of this charge authorization page is attached. Please reference the Attorney Docket # 24347-051US in any transaction to assist us in tracking and accounting.

Request for Telephone Interview:

The Final Rejection of the prior Office Action has been withdrawn and a new reference applied. Accordingly,. Applicants request the courtesy of a Telephone Interview between Applicant's undersigned counsel and the Examiner upon the Examiner reaching and considering this Response, but before formal action thereon in order to discuss open issues, including the new reference applied. Applicants' counsel can be reached at 360 - 681 - 7305.

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Response to Restriction Requirement:

The Examiner, in the interview of January 14, 2004, made a new Restriction Requirement as between Group 1, Claim 53 and the remaining pending claims in the case, Group II. Applicants elected Group II without prejudice to filing a second Divisional case thereto, and canceled Claim 53.

The claims remaining in this case are 1-4, 6, 7, 11-14, 17, 18, 21-24, 28, 30 and 36-52. End of Section 1, Introduction.